

**Governor's Advisory Council on Asian Pacific American Affairs
October 19, 2007 Meeting Summary**

The Governor's Advisory Council on Asian Pacific American Affairs held its October meeting at the Chinese Community Center in Madison Heights with H. Sook Wilkinson, Ph.D. presiding. This meeting included a presentation by Ms. Janet Olszewski, Director of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

New Council member, Ms. Mumtaz Haque, was introduced. Ms. Haque produces and hosts the Manoranjan Radio Show and is active with the India League of America.

Council member Lawrence G. Almeda was nominated and elected to serve as Secretary of the Council. Mr. Almeda succeeds Mr. Francisco B. Borja, Jr. who has served as Secretary since the Council started in 2005. Mr. Borja continues to serve the Council as a general member.

The Business, Civil Rights, Health, Education and Immigration Committees presented reports on recent activity and announcements.

Other business and announcements: The India League of America is conducting an annual banquet on Oct. 28. The Council of Asian Pacific Americans is conducting a Leadership Summit on December 6.

Next meeting of the Council is December 7 in Farmington Hills at the Michigan School of Professional Psychology. ACAPAA meetings begin at 9 a.m. and end at 12 Noon.

The Governor's Advisory Council on Asian Pacific American Affairs was created by a May 2005, Executive Order (No.2005 – 10) from Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, to advise the Governor and the Department of Civil Rights on policy matters pertaining to Asian and Pacific Americans in Michigan. H. Sook Wilkinson, Ph.D, was appointed Chair of the Council, which was placed administratively inside the Michigan Department of Civil Rights. A copy of the Governor's Executive Order is available on the Governor's website at <http://www.michigan.gov/gov>.